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Gentlemen:

This letter provides status information on site preparation activities for the Rocky Flats Solar Ponds Interim Measure/Interim Remedial Action (IM/IRA) and describes our plans for completing the effort. These activities are included in the Proposed Decision Document section IV.6.4, Implementation of Site Preparation Activities. We are making progress in all the areas listed in the Decision Document:

Upgrading the site security system will begin with construction of a vehicle gate at the end of May, 1995.

Relocation of utility lines and general site improvements are going through the site's job-planning process prior to beginning field work.

Equipment near Buildings 788 and 964 that is not part of the regulated units, is being surveyed for radiological contamination prior to being moved.

Removal of excess utilities and equipment has been completed for items that were found to be free of contamination. The equipment has been moved away from the Solar Ponds area for re-use or release.

The Department of Energy will continue preparations by generally consolidating movable equipment from Solar Ponds operations to one location on a pond berm. Examples of this equipment include pumps, air-movers, piping, hoses, and cables. The equipment, while previously used in the routine operations of the ponds, is not likely to be needed now that the ponds are empty. None of the equipment will be disabled by the move, so the equipment will still be available if needed and no closure activity will be performed prior to Colorado Department Public Health and Environment approval. Consolidating the equipment will improve housekeeping at the ponds and facilitate closure activities for that equipment once the Decision Document has been approved. The consolidation will proceed as convenient in the upcoming months.

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If you would like to discuss this further, please contact Briand Wu, at 966-5899.

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